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Washington Correspondent Gives His Views

BRYAN THE NEXT MAN

Republicans Repudiate Roosevelt Who Is With Bryan on Many Leading Issues

Washington, D. C., Sept. 14, 1908. The most remarkable thing that the political campaign book just issued, contains no criticism, or censure what-so-ever of Mr. Roosevelt or Mr. Roosevelt's administration. This is one of the curiosities of politics. A still more remarkable fact is that this was purposely and at the instigation of Mr. Bryan. But when one looks at the situation, it will readily be seen that Mr. Bryan could not have done otherwise. All of the policies that Roosevelt has achieved popularity in carrying out, were taken bodily from the platform and Mr. Bryan's policy. There is not a single one that is not associated with Mr. Roosevelt of any kind, and what was taken from Mr. Bryan's teachings.

REPUBLICANS REPUDIATE ROOSEVELT.

However, the fact has been clearly established that the Republican party is going away from Mr. Roosevelt's policy. This is shown to some extent by the nomination of Mr. James S. Sherman as the running mate of Mr. Taft. Sherman is interested in dozens of corporations and has been a collector of campaign funds for the Republican party many years. This only goes to show that the Republican party intends to be "by the trusts" and that if they are successful, the tariff will be adjusted to the interests of the trusts instead of the interests of the people. The leader of the Republican National Committee has succeeded in evading the question of corporation contributions to campaign expenses. He has discovered that while the corporations can not contribute to the Republican campaign fund, it is nothing to prevent the Secretary of the members of the board of directors of these great concerns from contributing. As there is absolutely no bias in the Republican campaign for this year, the Republicans are ready to squeeze all the money they can out of corporations, such as the steel trust, the oil trust and so on, so they are depending on the power of a big campaign fund to carry the election with Mr. Bryan. But the people are likely to be bought up this time as they were in the days of Mark Hanna. He said that the farmers of the country were sending money orders to Mr. Bryan, the mail bag full and that every day, letters from one to two bags of mail from farmers, ranging from one to two dollars a piece. This is a mighty good thing and every Democrat in the country would send at least one dollar to Mr. Bryan, at Lincoln, Nebraska and more than that.

Local is Issued for Orphanage Day

Arcadia, Sept. 11.—The first Saturday of October will be Orphanage day, when the Floridian is requested to contribute earnings for that day to the orphanage located here. Superintendent E. M. has issued the following circular on the subject:

This is our fifth annual Orphanage Day. Our first brought us \$80; our second, \$800; our third, \$1,500; our fourth, \$2,000.

Let us mention some of the benefits of these gifts of this one day:

First. There come months in every year in which the money sent in does not meet monthly current expenses. Income from Orphanage Day tide over these months without debt.

Second. This income saves us from and anxiety about food for the winter during the months which do not produce for current expenses.

Third. A new building, comfortable and convenient, has been paid for with the money you have sent.

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blessing to the orphans of the state the gifts of that one day in 365 have been!

"Fourth. A brick foundation for a sanitarium has been laid and paid for, and the bricks for completing it are on the ground and paid for; these benefits could not have been realized but for the liberal help resulting from the observance of Orphanage day.

"Will not merchants, every business organization, people in every occupation, churches, Sunday Schools, women's societies, young people's unions, secret orders, every individual in the state send us your earnings of the first Saturday in October? If you will do this, I am sure you will put into our hands \$3,000 for completing the sanitarium which we need."—Times-Union.

Work on Key West Extension

Key West, Sep. 11.—Without a word of notice the work on the railroad terminals started here this week, with a few men, but they are only the advance guard of the vast army that will be busy on the work from Knights Key to Key West.

It is plain to be seen now that the company proposes to gradually increase the force and when the laborers begin to arrive by the hundreds they will find the quarters ready for them. The work at Pigeon Key and at Spanish Key started with about a dozen men each, and have been increased at the rate of from ten to twenty men each until today there is quite a force at each camp.

Next week there will be about fifty men working on the terminal, but within two weeks there will be several times that number.

It comes from up the line that No. 100 is being put in shape to be sent to Key West. If that is true there will shortly be a gang of men at work on the track and another gang with a shovel completing the fill from the shore to the grade on the island to Boca Chica will be a short job and from there up the grade has been completed for a number of miles.

The railroad company is very reticent in discussing its plans, but they readily state that they intend to have trains running through to Key West by January 1, 1910. There is no doubt that trains will be running from Pine Key to Key West several months before then.—Jacksonville Metropolis.

Please Stop My

Times are hard, money is scarce, business is dull, retrenchment is a duty—please stop my—whisky! O, no, times are not hard enough for that. But here is something else that costs me a large amount every year, which I wish to save—please stop my tobacco, cigars and cigarettes? No, no, not those; but I must retrench somewhere—please stop my—ribbons, jewels, ornaments and trinkets? Not at all; pride must be fostered if times are ever so hard; but I believe I can see a way to affect quite a saving in another direction—please stop my—tea, coffee, and needless and unhealthy luxuries? No, no, not those. I must think of some thing else. Ah! I have it now. My paper costs \$1 a year, 2 cents a week. I must save that. Please stop my paper? That will carry me through the panic easily. I believe in retrenchment, and in economy, especially in the matter of intellectual pabulum.—Exchange.

Decision for Shippers

According to a decision by the Interstate Commerce Commission Monday, shippers may combine small quantities of freight of various owners, either by arrangement among themselves or through the medium of a forwarding agency, and ship the combined lot at the relatively lower rates applicable to large shipments. The commission decided in favor of the smaller shippers upon the ground that the ownership of property tendered for shipment cannot be made a test as to applicability of a carrier's rates. The interstate commerce law forbids discrimination between shippers, and the fact that one shipper tenders a "bulk shipment" made up of various ownership consolidated for delivery to the carrier will not entitle the carrier in making a difference between a shipment of similar character tendered by a shipper who does not.

TRACK CONDITIONS

Charlotte Harbor Division A. C. L. Is Inspected

IT IS NOW IN FAIR REPAIR

Inspecting Engineer F. P. Damon's Complete Report to the Railroad Commission

I submit herewith, report of the condition of the track of the A. C. L. R. R. from Lakeland to Fort Myers:

The track on this Division is laid with 85 pound rail from Lakeland to about 8 miles, then 70 pound rail to Punta Gorda and 60 pound rail Punta Gorda to Fort Myers.

From Lakeland to Bartow, I find that a large number of ties have recently been put in the track, ties are distributed on the road-bed for continued renewals for several miles and are being put in. The surfacing for the greater part of this distance is good at some places, principally where the ties are distributed on the road-bed, the surfacing has not been completed, but the track is not much out of surface or line.

The road-bed is in good condition and the track averages in good surface and line.

From Bartow to near Homeland the track has been retied for the greater part of this distance recently and averages in fairly good surface and line.

From the trestle North of Homeland to near Jane Jay the track does not average in good surface and line, but considerable bent rail is noted occasionally, bent this distance. A good many ties have been put in recently, but the track has not been completed and the track shows out of surface and line. This is mainly due to the fact that the track was not completed when the road-bed was completed. Ties are noted occasionally, bent rails between Jane Jay and Arcadia, and the track on some trestles not in good line, due to slightly bent rail.

From Jane Jay to Punta Gorda a large number of ties have been put in the track recently and renewals are being continued. Ties are distributed along the road-bed and in piles along the line of road to finish this work. Ties seem to have been put in at the worse places along the entire line, and are being followed up with more complete renewals. Trestles show to be in good condition, new timbers put in and necessary repairs have been made, with the exception of trestles north of Jane Jay, where piles have been driven recently and bridge gangs are now at work completing the repairs.

From Punta Gorda to Ft. Myers the track is in very good condition with the exception of several miles between Aclue and the 83 mile post; for this distance ties have only been spotted in the track and renewals have not been completed, but ties are distributed along the road-bed for this purpose and track can then be put in good surface. A large number of ties have been put in the track recently, the renewals are near complete and the track averages in fairly good surface and line. Yours respectfully, (sd) Frank P. Damon, Inspecting Engineer.

Hickory Chips by the "Old Blockhead"

Crude and inferior air-ships are on the market. Wait for the later crops.

It is now announced that the President will have to cut his vacation short on account of suffering from over-rest.

With the assistance of the President, Secretary Loeb has established a new chapter of the Ananias Club in Wisconsin.

His triumphal tour to the Coast indicates that the West refuses to consider Mr. Harriman an "undesirable citizen."

In case of further depression in Minnesota flour-circles the baking-powder men should not hesitate to tender their assistance.

The difference between an airship and the price of meat is the latter never come down enough to suit anybody.

A London millionaire is said to be making a hobby of collecting bagpipes. There are so many of them rich to blow in their money.

A young Hungarian baron is said to have spent \$500,000 in the last two years. Doubtless he is seeking to qualify himself for the next American-heirless handicap.

If trees really have memories, as the German scientist says, we may yet be able to ascertain from some member of the apple-tree family exactly who was to blame for that little trouble in the Garden of Eden.

Careful inquiry among real estate agents fails to disclose a single sale of valuable property to anybody who recently got rich patronizing Mr. Tom Lawson's latest easy money scheme. Americans are not such lobsters as Tom Lawson thought.

In tariff reform is the only weapon under Heaven with which to destroy the predatory Trusts. None understand this more clearly than the Trusts. Witness the Roman holiday of the Steel Trust at Youngstown, Ohio, when Hughes and Beveridge opened the campaign.

Senator Beveridge in one of his comparisons of the two Presidential candidates says that Bryan is only an Aaron and that Taft is the real Moses to lead us through the wilderness. In that case Taft will no more reach the White House than Moses reached the Promised Land. That is very good Mr. Bryan.

The strangest complaint in the divorce courts noted for some time is that of a woman who wants to leave her husband because he won't dye his hair red to match the new furniture. The alimony should be large and gratefully paid by the husband of such a wife. Some men have no artistic tendencies.

High School Honor Rolls

First Grade. Roxey Cox, Corinne Mobley, Emeline Platt, Madge Seward, Marie White, Nellie White, Dora White, Henry Miller, Henry Espenlaub, Haywood Montgomery, Wilkie Montgomery, Clarence Montgomery, James Higginbotham, James Heard, James Langford, Daniel Shores, Andrew Green, Walter Browning, Leonar Smart, Gordon Hayes, Tun Smith, R. L. Mills, Edwin Wey, Elbert Myer, Ned Barnett.

Second Grade. Frances Britte, Winnie Dear, Susie Stonebraker, Mattie Langford, Charlotte Seward, Florida Houston, Minnie Innis, Bessie Douglass, Fred Barnette, Edwin Parker, Porter Smith, Lamar Carlton, Alex Hendry, Clarence Higginbotham, Joseph Adkison.

Third Grade. Forrest Weyer, James Connell, Curtis Williams, Louise Lanier, Julia Lee Livingston, Burnice Allbritton, Marie Montgomery.

Fourth Grade. Wenda Wey, George Cox, Alger Smart, Irene Edwards, Rollo Greene, Mary Lee Mikler, George Holmer, Maud Adkins, Fannie Blackwell.

Fifth Grade. Edward Lock, Willie Heard, Naomi Marquis, Mae Thomas, Oakley Lanier, John Grunholtzer, Ora Gammage, George Espenlaub, Lillie Dear, Katie Carlton, Annie Lawton, Nellie Peeples.

Sixth Grade. Maude Smith, Lillian Cox, Lenora Woodruff, Aline Forrester, Doyle Clay, Bert Draughon, Russell Carlton, Tommie McCray, Radford Edwards, Marshal McCray.

Seventh Grade. Ed Davis, Marie Martin, Gladys Bryan, Lillian Martin, John Smith, Zola Langford, Ira Clarke, Iama McBride, Imogene Greene, Frank Stonebraker, Sophy May Smith, Alma Robertson.

High School. Martha Livingston, Gertrude Martin, Carrie Mitchell, Bessie Wood, Lilly Draughon, Fannie Watson, Irene Parker, Vashti Parker, Bernard Noble, Edwin Scott, Wilbur Carlton, Kate Carlton, Harry Wood, Lee Hall, Chester Dishong, Grady Langford, Upshaw Quimby, Bryant Pearce, Erroll Morgan, Grady Euston, Nelson Royall, Willie Mitchell, Luther Martin, Louie Morgau, Lillie Bryan.

Off For Oklahoma in An Auto

Mr. J. R. Vaughan of Bowling Green, Florida, passed through Ocala Thursday in an automobile bound for Oklahoma, where he owns some valuable mining interests. He was accompanied by his little daughter. He had a moving picture outfit with him and will stop along his journey and amuse himself, and turn an honest penny by exhibiting pictures.—Ocala Banner.

THE SCHOOL BOARD

Report of Their Doings at the September Meeting

MONEY FOR NEW BUILDINGS

Usual Business Transacted. Election Ordered for Maud Special School District

Arcadia, Fla., Sept. 8th, 1908. The Board of Public Instruction met in regular session Tuesday, September 8th, 1908. Members present: T. R. Starke, F. B. McClelland, J. R. Sandlin, Chairman.

In the absence of Superintendent Carlton, he being engaged in the regular September examination, F. B. McClelland was elected secretary pro tem.

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

The following appropriation on new buildings were paid:

Fort Ogden, \$500.00; Tura, \$200.00; Maud, \$125.00; Union, \$200.00; Prairie, \$198.70.

Treasurer's Report was examined and approved.

A petition was received from Maud School asking that a special election be called for the purpose of forming a Special Tax District with boundaries as follows:

Begin at the NE corner of Sec. 6 Tp. 33 R. 27, and run south to S. E. corner of Sec. 30, same Tp. and R., thence west to S. W. corner of Sec. 26 Tp. 33 R. 26, thence north to N. W. corner of Sec. 17 Tp. 33 R. 26, thence west to S. W. corner of Sec. 9 same Tp. and R., thence north to county line, thence east to county line to place of beginning.

Said petition was approved and ordered published for four weeks.

A petition to form Harrison City School District, having four weeks, an election to be held at the school house on October 1st, 1908; and H. M. Craft, Clerk of the H. Harrison, J. H. Whidden, Brown, Inspectors.

Notice of said election was ordered published for four weeks.

Application was received from the patrons and teachers of Ona School for another assistant, and was referred to Superintendent for investigation and decision.

Accounts were audited and warrants issued.

No further business, the Board adjourned to meet Tuesday after the first Monday in October.

J. R. SANDLIN, Chairman,
J. S. CARLTON,
Co. Supt. and Treasurer.

Noble Willocke

Married, on Tuesday September 15th at three p. m., in the First Methodist Church, Arcadia, Rev. C. W. White officiating, Mr. James Willocke, late of Saltcoats, Ireland, now of Portland, Oregon, to Miss Henrietta Sylvia Noble daughter of Captain Charles S. Noble, of Arcadia.

A large number of friends of the contracting parties were present and witnessed the ceremony.

The newly married couple left immediately for Tampa and thence by steamer to New Orleans, by steamer up the Mississippi River to St. Louis or St. Paul, from there to Denver, Colorado, and then to Portland Oregon. In the early spring the young couple will go to the groom's old home in Scotland returning to the U. S. in the fall.

During her residence in Arcadia the bride has made a host of friends who will join The Champion in wishing Mr. and Mrs. Willocke the greatest happiness through a long, prosperous life.

"Let the wealthy and great
Roll in splendor and state,
I envy them not, I declare it.
I eat my own lamb,
My own chickens and ham;
I shear my own fleece and I wear it.

I have lawns, I have bowers,
I have fruits, I have flowers,
The lark is my morning alarmer,
So jolly boys now
Here's 'God speed the plough,
Long life and success to the farmer."